

LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Budget

Wednesday, October 14, 2009

5:05 P.M.

Third Floor, City Hall

Present:
Chair: CM King
Vice-Chair: CM Downard
Members: CM Woolridge, CM Hamilton, CM Kramer, CM Butler, CM Fleming, CM Heiner
CM Blackwell & CM Johnson (5:30pm)

Chairman King began the meeting by introducing the members of the committee that were present.
A quorum was established.

Pending Legislation

1- [O-169-10-09 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 91, SERIES 2009, RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2009-10 OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT, BY TRANSFERRING \\$20,000 OF FUNDING FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT FUND \(DISTRICT 21\) TO THE METRO COUNCIL GENERAL OPERATIONS \(DISTRICT 21\).](#)

Status: In-Committee
Committee: Budget
Primary Sponsor: Dan Johnson

Motion to approve made by Kelly Downard and seconded by Mary C. Woolridge

No discussion was held on the item.

The ordinance was approved.

VOTING RESULTS - For: 9; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

For: Kenneth C. Fleming, Jim King, Kelly Downard, Hal Heiner, Cheri Bryant Hamilton, Mary C. Woolridge, Rick Blackwell, Marianne Butler, Dan Johnson

Against: (None)

Abstain: (None)

Absent: Kevin Kramer

This item was sent to **CONSENT CALENDAR**.

2- [O-170-10-09 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 91, SERIES 2009, RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2009-10 OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT, BY TRANSFERRING \\$15,000 OF FUNDING FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT FUND \(DISTRICT 4\) TO THE METRO COUNCIL GENERAL OPERATIONS \(DISTRICT 4\).](#)

Status: In-Committee
Committee: Budget
Primary Sponsor: David Tandy

Motion to approve made by Kelly Downard and seconded by Mary C. Woolridge

No discussion was held on the item.

The ordinance was approved.

For: 9; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

For: Kenneth C. Fleming, Jim King, Kelly Downard, Hal Heiner, Cheri Bryant Hamilton, Mary C. Woolridge, Rick Blackwell, Marianne Butler, Dan Johnson

Against: (None)

Abstain: (None)

Absent: Kevin Kramer

This item was sent to **CONSENT CALENDAR**.

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[O-175-10-09 AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE RECOVERY ZONE FOR THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT AS IT RELATES TO THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 \("ARRA"\).](#)

Status: In-Committee

Committee: Budget

Primary Sponsor: Jim King

Motion to approve made by Mary C. Woolridge and seconded by Cheri Bryant Hamilton

Discussion: Jane Driskell and Daniel Frockt, Office of Management & Budget, were present for the discussion of the next three agenda items. In February, it was mentioned the goal of going to Market with the Bonds of September 1st to December 1st. A PowerPoint presentation was given (items attached). The Ordinances were overviewed and the following was shared and discussed:

- O-179-10-09
 - Refinancing of the Bond Anticipation Note
 - \$44million
 - Maturity date of December 1st
 - Funding FY09 and FY10 approved Capital Projects
 - Funding for three new proposed projects
 - Firehouse – Ashland Avenue
 - Chief Greg Frederick, Louisville Fire, stated this was the third replacement firehouse in the Phase I of the Firehouse Modernization Plan
 - Replaces a Station built in 1924
 - 7,000 sq. ft. to about 16,000 sq. ft.
 - Acquire two properties to the west of existing building
 - Received a Firefighter Fire Station Construction grant of \$3.3 million
 - ARRA stimulus dollars
 - Grant required a match of \$700,000
 - Floyd's Fork Phase I
 - Dan Jones, 21st Century Parks Foundation stated Phase I was a substantial portion and part of the Louisville Loop
 - 18 to 20 miles between Shelbyville Road and Bardstown Road

- First phase of a 27-mile park expansion spearheaded by 21st Century Parks Foundation and part of Mayor's City of Parks initiative
- \$1.5million leverages approximately \$80million in private/federal monies
 - The \$1.5million is focused to be applied to the Children's Park
- Located south side of I-64 just east of I-265 interchange
- Glacier Run
 - John Walzack, Zoo Director stated the heart of Glacier Run is about 50% complete
 - \$6million has been contributed by Metro since 2006
 - \$6million was requested from the State but has never made in thru the Legislation in the past 3 years
 - 4.3 acre exhibit to include polar bears, seals, otters, eagles and sea lions
 - \$2million completes the core of Glacier Run
 - Timing is the issue
 - Anticipated to be open in 2012
 - Leverages approximately \$21.4million of committed funding, including about \$14.7million of private donations
 - Proposing use of Recovery Zone Economic Development and Build America Bond programs
- O-178-10-09
 - Utilizes Qualified Energy Conservation Bond program
 - Funds \$3.2 million of projects identified by Public Works & Assets
 - Projects must meet the test of at least 20% energy consumption reduction in publicly owned buildings – currently in negotiations with Johnson Control
 - Complex I Estimated Savings - \$70,000 annually
 - Metro Hall
 - Metro Hall Annex
 - Fiscal Court
 - Complex II Estimated Savings - \$90,000 annually
 - Louisville Metro Police Department Head Quarters/City Hall
- O-175-10-09
 - Designates the mandatory Recovery Zone required to access the Recovery Zone Economic Development Bond program

The ordinance was approved.

VOTING RESULTS - For: 8; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 2

For: Jim King, Kelly Downard, Hal Heiner, Kevin Kramer, Mary C. Woolridge, Rick Blackwell, Marianne Butler, Dan Johnson

Against: (None)

Abstain: (None)

Absent: Kenneth C. Fleming, Cheri Bryant Hamilton

This item was sent to **CONSENT CALENDAR**.

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O-178-10-09 AN ORDINANCE OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CERTAIN QUALIFIED ENERGY CONSERVATION BONDS OF THE METRO GOVERNMENT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF PROJECTS FOR QUALIFIED CONSERVATION PURPOSES; SETTING FORTH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS ON WHICH THE BONDS ARE TO BE ISSUED AND SOLD; DEFINING AND PROVIDING FOR THE RIGHTS OF THE HOLDERS OF THE BONDS AND PROVIDING FOR THE APPLICATION OF THE PROCEEDS THEREOF; AND TAKING OTHER RELATED ACTION.

Status: In-Committee
Committee: Budget
Primary Sponsor: Jim King

Motion to approve made by Dan Johnson and seconded by Jim King

CM Downard urged the item to be tabled. The concern was raised on the time sensitivity of the Bond related items. The calendar timetable was reviewed. The committee concluded the need for further review and discussion on O-178 and O-179. The chairman stated there was to be a Special Budget Committee meeting on Tuesday, October 20, 2009 at 3:00PM.

Motion to table made by Dan Johnson and seconded by Mary C. Woolridge
Without objection, the item was **TABLED**.

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O-179-10-09 AN ORDINANCE OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 34, SERIES 2009 AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING ACTIONS IN THE STRUCTURING, STAFFING, PLANNING AND PREPARATION OF ALL DOCUMENTATION, INCLUDING AN ESCROW AGREEMENT, IF APPLICABLE, FOR THE ISSUANCE OF CERTAIN (i) GENERAL OBLIGATION [REFUNDING] BONDS OR GENERAL OBLIGATION [REFUNDING] NOTES AND/OR (ii) GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR TAXABLE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS (BUILD AMERICA BONDS) AND/OR (iii) TAXABLE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS (RECOVERY ZONE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BONDS) OF THE METRO GOVERNMENT IN ONE OR MORE SERIES; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS TO (i) FINANCE THE COSTS OF NEW MONEY PROJECTS AND (ii) REFINANCE ALL OR A PORTION OF THE ISSUER'S OUTSTANDING GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, SERIES 2008A AS FURTHER SET FORTH HEREIN; SETTING FORTH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS ON WHICH THE BONDS ARE TO BE ISSUED AND SOLD; DEFINING AND PROVIDING FOR THE RIGHTS OF THE HOLDERS OF THE BONDS AND PROVIDING FOR THE APPLICATION OF THE PROCEEDS THEREOF; AND TAKING OTHER RELATED ACTION.

Status: In-Committee
Committee: Budget
Primary Sponsor: Jim King

This item will be on the agenda for the Special Budget Committee meeting.

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O-161-09-09 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 90, SERIES 2009, RELATING TO THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-10 FOR THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT BY TRANSFERRING \$3,000,400 OF AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) FUNDING BETWEEN CAPITAL PROJECTS.

Status: Return to Committee
Committee: Budget
Primary Sponsor: Jim King

This item will be on the agenda for the Special Budget Committee meeting.

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[R-179-09-09 A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE REVIEW OF FUTURE PAYMENT OF DUES TO THE KENTUCKY LEAGUE OF CITIES AND THE KENTUCKY ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES](#)

Status: In Committee - Held
Committee: Budget
Primary Sponsor: Kelly Downard

Motion to approve made by Marianne Butler and seconded by Mary C. Woolridge

Discussion: Mike Miller, President of the Kentucky League of Cities, Neil Hackworth, Deputy Director of Kentucky League of Cities, and Chris Harris, Kentucky Association of Counties, spoke to the committee in regards to the proposed Resolution. Brief history and description of the KLC and KACo was given.

The League began about 80 years ago, with Louisville being an original member, as an organization to work with Kentucky Cities to deal with issues on a continuing basis in Frankfort and Washington. The League has about 380 Cities as members, which pay membership dues. The dues range from about \$350 to \$26,000 annually and are population based; \$450,000 in dues is part of the \$11million budget. Majority of the League's Revenue comes from businesses operated under the Kentucky League of Cities, primarily Insurance Services provided to Kentucky Cities. Also available is Municipal Financing and a Cornerstone Partner Program for business concerns. There is a Legislative Board and an Executive Board to the League. An informational handout was given to committee members on the benefits Metro Louisville receives from the Kentucky League of Cities (items attached).

The Executive Board formed a Policies & Procedures Taskforce, as well as a Financial & Budget Taskforce to address issues on an on-going basis. There have been nine issues addressed so far, they are:

- Adopted a Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest Policy
- Work Conduct Policy
- Employee Compensation Review Procedures
- Alcohol Reimbursement Policy
- Nepotism Policy
- Assignment of Company Autos and Use
- Credit Card Policy – yet to be defined and finalized
- Business Travel and Expense
- City Officials Reimbursement Policy for National & Regional Meetings

CM Downard, sponsor of the proposed resolution, mentioned concerns regarding disclosures made by KLC and stated some of the issues appear to have been dealt with in the Policies & Procedures modifications. The resignation and retirement of the previous League Leader was announced and will be December 31, 2009.

CM Downard announced he was withdrawing his sponsorship from the item and it **DIED IN COMMITTEE.**

Motion to adjourn made by Kelly Downard and seconded by Hal Heiner; without objection the meeting adjourned at 7:12PM

***NOTE: Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before the full Council at the Metro Council Meeting on October 22, 2009.**

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